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REMARKS

Entry of this amendment, in supplement to the amendment filed on June 22, 2005, is respectfully requested.

Appreciation is expressed to Examiner Tzeng for his courtesy and helpfulness during telephone interviews conducted in the above-identified matter on October 28, 2005, between Mr. Tzeng and Mr. Melvin Kraus (Reg. No. 22,466) and on November 4, 2005, between Mr. Tzeng and applicants' undersigned representative. During the course of these interviews, the Examiner and the respective attorneys discussed the amending of the independent claims 1, 2, 3, 8 and 9 to incorporate the subject matter of claim 12 to place the application in condition for allowance. Accordingly, applicants are submitting the present amendment to amend the independent claims in this matter, with corresponding cancellation of claim 12 to avoid redundancy. It is noted that this amendment is being made without prejudice to the applicants' right to proceed with the subject matter of the unamended independent claims 1, 2, 3, 8 and 9 by way of a continuation application. Incidentally, it is noted that amendments have been made, where appropriate, by the present amendment to dependent claims where necessary to provide proper antecedent basis and/or avoid redundancy.

In light of the agreement during the November 4, 2005 telephone interview that the present amendment would be entered to place the application in condition for allowance, such entry and allowance is earnestly solicited.

Applicants and their above-note representatives express their appreciation to the Examiner for his courtesy and helpfulness during the course of the above-noted interviews.

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If the Examiner believes that there are any other points which may be clarified or otherwise disposed of either by telephone discussion or by personal interview, the Examiner is invited to contact Applicants' undersigned attorney at the number indicated below.

To the extent necessary, applicants petition for an extension of time under 37 CFR 1.136. Please charge any shortage in the fees due in connection with the filing of this paper, including extension of time fees, to the deposit account of Antonelli, Terry, Stout & Kraus, LLP, Deposit Account No. 01-2135 (Case: 1021.43087X00), and please credit any excess fees to such deposit account.

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